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Marginal Column

By "COMMENTATOR"

GENERAL Nagib has annulled the old Egyptian constitution, though there was nothing essentially wrong with it, apart from the fact that nobody ever took it seriously. The old constitution was created in 1922 by a group of 30 people, rich lawyers and feudal landowners such as Saleh Lamloum, who was pre-eminently suited for this important task because he could neither read nor write. His son Adli was not illiterate but had eccentric hobbies such as raiding police stations and shooting policemen in protest against the land reform. A military court with no sense of humour passed a life sentence upon him the other day.

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SOME of the people who wrote the first constitution such as Ali Maher and Loutfi es Sayed, are still alive and they are again making their proposals and suggestions for a corporate state on the lines of the Viennese school of Othmar Spann.

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BUT the whole discussion about the respective advantages and drawbacks of monarchy and republic appear rather irrelevant because the real issue behind it is the question of whether there are to be elections, a parliament and some elements of democracy. The Moslem Brotherhood and Al Azhar demand a theocratic regime but Nagib clearly stated in a recent speech that "those who demand that the Koran should serve as the basis of government are doing a disservice to their country." Some of the Moslem Brothers have become very critical of the government and they have lodged a major complaint with Nagib because the Minister of Education continued a recent meeting of school directors past prayer-time.

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BUT there is internal division within the ranks of the Brotherhood not less than elsewhere: one of its recent executive meetings ended with a free-for-all (though this is not prescribed in the Koran either).

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THERE appears to be dimension in the government too: the recent release of the prominent political prisoners was brought about, it appears, after much prodding by Colonel Gamal Abu Nasser, who said "we do not like concentration camps in this country". The real reason is of course that the Junta has realised that it needs the collaboration of at least some of the old politicians and the Wafd to overcome the many difficulties ahead.

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WE should be inclined to expect interesting developments in Egypt circles of intimates were it not for the fact that Sefton Delmer of the "Daily Express" predicted that the Junta is already preparing a second coup. We have a friend who has built up a considerable reputation as a political oracle simply by stating the exact opposite of Sefton Delmer's predictions, in the course of several years. Meanwhile, the Egyptian press, or at least part of it, has launched an anti-Jewish in addition to their anti-Zionist campaign in contrast to General Nagib, who it must be admitted, has till now refrained from attacking Jews as such. They have adopted the Goebbels-Cominform technique which is so easy to master: particularly monstrous and revolting lies are introduced by such opening gambits as "Every objective and honest man admits" or "As it is universally known..." (that the Americans led bacteriological warfare, or that Mordecai Oren is an international apache and a British agent or that the Jews must be exterminated).

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"MUSSAWAR" says that the Jews again dominate the economic and political life of Western Germany as they did after World War I, and Adenauer is of course of Jewish extraction. The Army weekly, "Tahrir" has brought to light that the liaison officer between Farouk and the British was a certain Eli, an Egyptian Jew, a wireless engineer in civil life. Devilishly clever and sinister, this Eli might be a relative of *The POST's* cartoonist

Jerusalem, December 14.

Losses in Korean War Top 2 Million Mark

NEW YORK, Saturday. — The Korean war has cost over two million military casualties, according to the best information available here. The figure is based on an official announcement of the losses by the Allies and estimates by the High Command of losses suffered by the Communists.

Of 2,129,310 military casualties, 364,370 have been suffered by U.N. forces and the remaining 1,764,940 are estimated to have been borne by the Communists, mostly by the Chinese.

The figures do not include civilians, estimated in tens of thousands, nor victims of the bitter fighting of the last 60 days for the peaks of central Korea.

The South Korean toll is the U.N.'s highest, with 35,031 listed dead, 123,647 wounded and 66,102 missing for a total of 223,780. The Americans, furnishing nearly half the combat manpower, reported on October 12 a total of 20,073 killed, 94,588 wounded and 12,997 missing for a total of 127,658.

Casualties among the other Allies:

Britain: 560 dead, 1,771 wounded, 1,107 missing and prisoners.

Canada: 236 dead, 966 wounded, missing and prisoners.

Australia: 237 dead, 833 wounded, 34 missing.

Belgium-Luxembourg: 40 dead, 138 wounded, 4 missing.

Netherlands: 94 dead, 407 wounded, 4 missing.

France: 147 dead, 608 wounded, 29 missing.

Greece: 115 dead, 313 wounded.

New Zealand: 23 dead, 61 wounded, 1 missing.

Turkey: 518 dead, 1,650 wounded, 401 missing.

South Africa: 18 dead, 30 missing (Air squadron).

Thailand: 67 dead, 374 wounded, 4 missing.

It was announced in Pusan today that one Communist prisoner of war was killed after refusing a halt order, and six were wounded in two other incidents at U.N. camps this week. One American soldier was slightly hurt. *(A.P., U.P.)*

S. Koreans Recover Hill Positions

TOKYO, Saturday (Reuter). — South Korean troops today recovered all the ground they lost to the Chinese on Thursday — including Little Nori Hill—after a day of bloody fighting on the west bank of the Imjin River.

They also attacked the lower slopes of Big Nori Hill and occupied outposts on either side of strategic Kelly Hill.

Big and Little Nori have changed hands several times in the past 48 hours. The South Korean First Division captured Little Nori again this morning after a night of artillery preparation and air strikes. They were forced off, but returned to the attack at midday. Early this afternoon the momentum of their new thrust carried them to the slopes of Big Nori beyond.

The Chinese fought back strongly today. Their mortars hit the advancing Allies with burning phosphorus bombs. The South Koreans broke up under this attack and returned to regroup. But next time they followed up the attack right through to their objectives and beyond.

W. Europe Plans For 'Trade, Not Aid'

PARIS, Saturday. — Western European nations pledged themselves here today to try to eliminate their need for American assistance by a sweeping programme of "Trade, not Aid."

Seventeen member nations of the Organization for European Economic Cooperation, plus the Free Territory of Trieste, unanimously approved the programme which the American official observer, Ambassador William Draper, hailed as "ushering in a new economic era."

A report of the OEEC said Europe must be made economically independent by means of expanded production and expert advice and that closest American cooperation would be necessary for that end.

"Indispensable" needs in cooperation, the report said, were:—no tariff increases and lowering of tariffs towards free trade; streamlining of customs procedure; large-scale investments overseas, particularly in under-developed territories; coordinated efforts to raise overseas production of such key dollar earners as raw materials needed by the U.S.; international cooperation to assure stable international commodity prices and American efforts to ensure that the American economy remains stable.

Eden Names Conditions For Freeing Sterling

PARIS, Saturday (Reuter). — The British Foreign Secretary, Anthony Eden, said here today that three conditions must be fulfilled before Sterling could again be made freely convertible in other currencies.

The conditions were: Commonwealth members of the Sterling area must first achieve internal financial stability, strengthen their balance of payments and produce more; other nations must contribute to the extension of world trade; a sufficiency of financial support must be guaranteed.

Mr. Eden was addressing the Ministerial Council of the O.E.E.C. of which he is Chairman, on the Commonwealth Economic Conference which ended last week in London.

In London, leading British industrial leaders have been named to organize the proposed finance company to aid Commonwealth development—an important part of the Commonwealth Premiers' world plan for production and trade.

Chairman of the nine-member board will be Sir Edward Peacock, ex-Director of the Bank of England. The company is to have moderate initial capital and borrowing powers, but will be supported by the Bank of England. The World Bank has also expressed interest.

Bradley Sees Truman

WASHINGTON, Saturday (UP). — General Omar Bradley, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, reported to President Truman today on his recent trip to Korea with President-elect Dwight Eisenhower.

Gen. Bradley spent about 30 minutes closeted with Mr. Truman. Details of their talk were not revealed.

U.S. Charges Soviet 'Hamstringing' U.N.

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday (UP). — The U.S. accused the Soviet Union today of "hamstringing" the U.N. through illegal use of the veto power and called for a special U.N. committee to study the whole problem of admitting new member nations.

Senator Alexander Wiley warned the Special Political Committee, however, against "hasty or ill-considered action" on the membership problem. He said any such move might have "unfortunate results." He favoured a Latin-American proposal to set up a special 15-nation committee to study the membership deadlock between now and the next session of the General Assembly.

"It is no exaggeration to say the problem before us is one of the outstanding problems of the U.N.," Senator Wiley said.

Poland then proposed that 14 new members be admitted en bloc. The resolution, submitted by M. Jerzy Michalowski, requested the Security Council "to consider the applications of Albania, the Mongolian Peoples Republic, Bulgaria, Rumania, Hungary, Finland, Italy, Portugal, Ireland, Jordan Austria, Ceylon, Nepal and Libya, in order to submit a recommendation for the simultaneous admission of all these states as members of the U.N."

U.N. Body Favours Right Of Nationalization

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday (Reuter). — Britain yesterday criticised the omission of a reference to compensation to foreign property owners in a resolution passed by the General Assembly's Economic Committee on the right of all countries to nationalise their natural resources.

The Committee approved the resolution on Thursday by 31 to 1, with 19 abstentions.

The Anglo-Iranian oil dispute formed the background to the debate, though only fleeting references were made to it.

The resolution was originally moved by Uruguay and Bolivia and was amended by India. It recommended that all member states, in the exercise of their right freely to exploit their natural resources, have due regard to the need for the maintenance of mutual confidence and economic cooperation among nations and that all member states refrain from acts designed to impede the exercise of the sovereignty of any state over its natural resources.

America alone voted against the resolution. A group of small and medium powers from Latin America, the Middle and Far East and the Soviet Union and its supporters formed the majority.

Talks With Mapai Inconclusive, Say General Zionists

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The Executive of the General Zionist Party and the Party's Knesset representation heard a report here yesterday on the negotiations with Mapai for the broadening of the Government coalition. They took no decisions "because the talks with Mapai had been inconclusive on several issues."

Mr. Peretz Bernstein said that Mapai had this time appeared to be anxious to get the General Zionists into the Government. Mr. Yosef Serlin supplemented Mr. Bernstein's report on the talks with Prime Minister Ben Gurion, Mr. Mordecai Namir, Mr. Pinhas Lavon, Mr. Akiva Govrin and Mr. Meir Argov of Mapai. Mr. I. Rokach and Mr. H. Levanon also represented the General Zionists at the talks.

The points upon which the General Zionists said they had not yet received satisfactory replies included their claim for a deputy premiership, drastic income tax relief, relaxation of currency controls, and dropping the proposed compulsory loan and capital levy on property.

Mr. Ben Gurion yesterday conferred with a Hapoel Hamizrahi delegation including Mr. Moshe Shapiro, and Dr. Yosef Burg. It is understood that the Prime Minister said he wished Hapoel Hamizrahi to remain in the reorganized cabinet.

Churchill, Baring Confer on Kenya

LONDON, Saturday. — Prime Minister Winston Churchill interrupted his week-end leave today to confer with Sir Evelyn Baring, Governor of Kenya, on the emergency there. Sir Evelyn arrived by air last night and immediately began a series of conferences with Colonial Secretary Oliver Lyttleton on new moves to deal with the Mau Mau terror.

A fresh wave of anti-White attacks began last night with the murder of two pro-British Africans, bringing the week's toll to seven.

Four Africans were to be hanged today for the murder of an African who testified against the Mau Mau.

Mr. D.N. Pritt, British defence counsel for Jomo Kenyatta, President of the Kenya Africa Union, cabled four M.P.s today that the way the trial was conducted "amounted to a denial of justice." *(AP, Reuter)*

Israel Receives Locust Warning from Kenya

TEL AVIV, Saturday.—Israel received a telegraphic warning last week that a locust invasion of the Middle East area is possible in the early spring.

The information came from the Locust Research Centre in Kenya. It stated that swarms of desert locusts had begun to move from India and Pakistan towards the Aden Protectorate, tending to go northward to the Red Sea.

The Plant Protection Department of the Ministry of Agriculture commented that the information was not alarming, as the monthly reports of the Centre indicated the possibility of locusts in this area since last year's invasion which by-passed Israel.

The reports that locusts were observed in Jordan last week are not connected with the general movement of the swarms. It was probably a small local swarm originating from the Arabian Desert, a Ministry of Agriculture spokesman said yesterday.

Soviet U.N. Officer Barred from America

NEW YORK, Saturday (AP). — Nikolau Skvortsov, personal assistant to the highest ranking Russian in the U.N. Secretariat, has been barred from re-entry into the U.S. on the suspicion of spying, an authoritative source said today.

Skvortsov is Political Affairs officer of the Security Council department. He and his boss, Constantin Zinchenko, have both been to Russia for months and their return is long overdue. There is speculation that Zinchenko, originally expected back in September, will not return and, in fact, may be in disgrace with the Soviet government.

HAIM GIVEN FORTNIGHT TO LEAVE EGYPT

LONDON, Saturday (INA). — Mr. Henri Haim, general manager of the Societe Orientale de Publicite, who was detained in Cairo in October, has been given two weeks to leave Egypt, according to the "Jewish Chronicle" here.

The S.O.P. publishes a chain of newspapers which includes the "Egyptian Gazette," the "Egyptian Mail" and "Bourse Egyptienne."

ATOM REACTOR SPRINGS A LEAK

CHALK RIVER, Saturday (Reuter). — A dangerous and invisible atomic cloud escaped through a pinpoint puncture in Canada's atom reactor here yesterday and forced the swift evacuation of the plant, it was disclosed today. The plant may be out of action two or three weeks.

"While not remotely comparable in effect, the radiation acted in much the same manner as the mushroom cloud of an atom bomb," Canada's atomic energy chief, Dr. C. J. Mackenzie, said. Detectors in the plant, acting with lightning speed, rang the alarm bells and [illegible] workers were quickly moved out when the escape occurred yesterday.

Ominous Signs of USSR Anti-Semitism

By George Lichtheim,
Jerusalem POST Correspondent

LONDON, Saturday. — Reports received here mention ominous signs of an apparent extension of the anti-Semitic campaign from the satellite countries to Russia. Particular attention is given in Jewish quarters here to a "Pravda" article which seems to link certain alleged shortcomings in the Odessa party organisation with the Jewish issue.

The article, in the guise of savagely criticising leading culprits, gives prominence to eight, of whom six bear Jewish names: Zlochewski, Levin, Libin, Gorstein, Gendle and Pershtem. All are accused of having "grossly violated Soviet laws and pilfered State property" through trading establishments managed by them. The first two are further said to have been protected by the regional party secretary who also bears a Jewish name and is among the highest personages in Odessa.

The article, which is over a column long, was written by three special correspondents of "Pravda," and seems to lay unusual stress on the Jewish origin of the alleged culprits. It is believed here that something important is afoot of which this campaign is an early harbinger.

Czechs Should Be Thanked — Mikunis

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Speaking at a Communist party meeting here last night, Mr. S. Mikunis, general secretary of the Israel Communist Party, said that the Czechoslovak President, Mr. Gottwald, should be thanked for "opening the eyes" of the Israelis concerning the true nature of their leaders. He declared that Mapam leaders were "misleading" their party and hoped they would soon be replaced by others.

Mr. Tewfik Toubi, who had been with Mr. Mikunis in Moscow, also spoke.

Locke Quits as U.S. Roving Ambassador to Mid-East

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — Edwin Locke, U.S. Roving Ambassador in the Middle East, submitted his resignation, the State Department said yesterday. It was accepted by President Truman "with sincere regret."

Edwin Locke

Mr. Locke has been serving as Roving Ambassador handling U.S. aid to the Arab states and Israel. He was recalled last week-end after delivering a speech in Beirut in which he criticised U.S. economic policy in those lands.

The State Department told reporters that Mr. Locke was called back for consultation "because there are obvious differences of viewpoints" between the Ambassador and the Department.

U.S. SENATOR VISITS ISRAEL

Senator Ernst McFarland (Democrat, Arizona), and Mrs. McFarland, crossed into Jerusalem on Friday morning on a one-day visit. They left for India yesterday.

During their stay, they toured the country with Professor Walter Clay Lowdermilk, the soil conservation expert. The Senator was particularly interested in seeing how Israel is tackling problems of aridity.

Exchanges of Fire In Jerusalem Area; Complaints to MAC

A quantity of equipment and ammunition was stolen on Friday night from an arms depot in the Jerusalem area by an armed gang of about ten Arabs, an Israel Army spokesman announced yesterday.

After an exchange of fire with the depot guards, the gang escaped. Tracks led to the Jordan border, north of Jerusalem.

A complaint is being lodged with the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission.

An Associated Press message from the Old City last night quoted an Arab Legion communique alleging that "the Legion had foiled an Israeli attempt to smuggle arms to the University-Hospital zone during which fire was exchanged for six hours." This was denied last night by the Israel Army spokesman who said there had been no attempt to smuggle arms to Mt. Scopus.

Azmi Nashashibi, Jordan delegate to the M.A.C., told a press conference in the Old City that he had demanded from the Chief of Staff of the U.N. Truce Supervision Organization that he should inspect the demilitarized zone for possible hidden arms. He claimed that the Israelis had on Friday night reached a spot 900 metres inside Jordan territory. An emergency meeting of the M.A.C. will be held on Monday on Nashashibi's request to discuss the incident.

Jordan Found Guilty

At an emergency meeting of the M.A.C. last week Jordan was found guilty of two violations of the Armistice agreement, in that a "Jordan military formation planned hostile underground activities against Israel," and secondly there had been "armed penetration into Israel."

The meeting was called by General Bennet L. de Ridder, U.N. chairman, to discuss an Israel charge that the Arab Legion was sending armed gangs into Israel with hostile intent.

Announcing this last night the Israel Army spokesman pointed out that the Israel charge was proved by the document found on the body of an infiltrator who was killed on the night of November 18 in an ambush set by Israel police. The document showed that he had been sent on his mission by a Legion Intelligence officer.

The Commission also called on Jordan to take appropriate measures to prevent the repetition of similar occurrences in the future.

2 Marauders Killed, 9 Wounded in Past Week

Two marauders were killed, nine wounded and 26 arrested during the week ending December 7, an Army spokesman announced in Tel Aviv yesterday.

Mme. Sun Attacks Ike For Policy on Asians

VIENNA, Saturday. — Mme. Sun Yat-sen today accused U.S. President-elect Dwight Eisenhower of urging Asians to attack other Asians because "American lives are more valuable than those of Asians.

The widow of the founder of the Chinese Republic told the second day of the "World Congress of the Peoples for Peace" that the Marshall Plan was leading to disaster and the North Atlantic alliance to war.

She was speaking on the introduction of the congress agenda.

UNESCO Prohibits Arabs To Bar Israel from Seat

PARIS, Saturday (INA). — The General Council of UNESCO has approved an Israel request to prohibit Arab states from barring her from regional conferences of the organization in Arab countries.

If Egypt still refuses to allow Israel delegates to enter her territory she will have to cancel next season's Middle East Regional Conference of UNESCO due to be held in Cairo.

Israel has made it known that she would not prevent Arab representatives from attending a conference held on her soil.

Terror Grips European Zone of Casablanca

CASABLANCA, Saturday. — Terror again gripped the European quarter of this riot-stricken port today as reports spread that Moroccan nationalists are organizing small groups to infiltrate the sector.

The police said that "orders of the day" circulating around the Arab quarter were invoking everything from a Jehad (holy war) against the French to a major change in tactics whereby small groups would carry on ruthless murders.

As arrests of Communist and nationalist leaders soared past the 1,250 mark, Mohammed Larbi Abdelrahman, arrested official of the Istiklal movement, was reported to have told the police that the Arabs were being given mahia (fig brandy) and were being told to "kill as many police and soldiers as possible." He allegedly made the statement after 24 hours of continuous interrogation.

The complete surface calm was jarred today by one small but significant incident at Meknes. An unidentified Arab attacked a European and tried to knife him. When police questioned the Moroccan he said he was merely acting "according to the will of Allah." Police said he appeared to be a lunatic.

The court of the Pasha of Casablanca today worked with assembly-line precision to hand out sentences ranging from three months to two years in prison to 132 minor offenders in last week-end's bloody rioting. On Thursday the Pasha's Court in Rabat condemned 147 persons to one year in prison.

Among those arrested today were three top-ranking members of the Istiklal Party, including Ahmed Bennani, former adviser to the Sultan of Morocco.

The 12 French Communist leaders arrested earlier arrived by air in Paris today. They were set free after their papers had been checked. (UP, AP)

Moslems Call For Jehad on France

CAIRO, Saturday (UP). — Amid cries of "Jehad is our means," the General Congress of Arab Moslem Organizations yesterday heard fiery speeches calling for a "holy war" against France "in revenge for the North African blood-bath."

The Moslem Brotherhood representative, Saleh Amsawi, declared "In Jehad there is room for all. Let us mobilise detachments and back our brethren in Africa." The Congress is headed by Mohammed e-Khedir Hussein, Rector of Al Azhar University, who is of Tunisian origin.

Amsawi urged Arab and Moslem countries to break off relations with France and demanded that the Arab League Political Committee meet to take up the North African problem which was "not less important than Palestine".

Although informed sources discount the possibility of any of the Arab armies acting in North Africa, it is felt that continued lack of a settlement might broaden guerrilla fighting and bring about an Arab economic war.

The President of the Egyptian Feminist National Party, Fatima Nimat, said today that she was going to Tunisia to back the "end imperialist" campaign.

2nd Arab Defeat By Latin-American Bloc

By Jesse Zel Lurie,
POST Correspondent

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday. —Twice this week—first on the Palestine question and yesterday on the Tunis problem—the Latin-American bloc played the chief role in defeating Arab-Asian resolutions. By a vote of 27 to 24 the Political Committee defeated the Arab-Asian demand that a U.N. good offices commission assist the French and Tunisians in resuming negotiations for home rule for the Protectorate.

Israel abstained, while the Soviet bloc voted with the minority.

The Latin-Americans, comprising the largest numerical bloc, reputedly traded votes with the Arabs at previous General Assembly sessions.

This year, the calibre of the Latin delegations, always of top category, was extraordinarily high. They are playing the role of conciliators, attempting to preserve the U.N.'s chief function as a peaceful tribune for all nations to settle their differences.

They have also protested, together with the Scandinavians and others, Secretary-General Trygve Lie's toadying to the U.S. witch-hunters. Requests for the current Assembly to discuss methods of staff dismissals for "subversion" are expected early next week.

The Political Committee yesterday also threw out a last-minute Indian amendment which would have had the French and Tunisians resume negotiations under the observation of the General Assembly President. Instead, the Committee passed by 45 votes to 3, with 10 abstentions, a compromise Latin-American resolution urging the two sides simply to resume negotiations on an "urgent basis."

Arab Diplomats in Cairo Discuss U.N. Resolution

CAIRO, Saturday (Reuter). — Arab diplomats in Cairo consulted today on the resolution approved by the United Nations political committee yesterday calling for direct Arab-Israel talks on the Palestine question.

Among the callers today on Acting Egyptian Foreign Minister Fathy Radwan was Jordan Ambassador Auni Abul Hadi. Afterwards the Ambassador said the Palestine question and its developments had been discussed.

According to Arab diplomatic quarters, the Arab League Political Committee may be summoned to consider the question.

Syria to Cooperate With Egypt—Shishakly

CAIRO, Saturday. — Syria is prepared to cooperate with Egypt in all fields and see that this cooperation is strong and invulnerable, Colonel Adib Shishakly said in an after-dinner speech at the Officers Club here on Thursday.

The Syrian dictator, now visiting Egypt, said, "The purposes of the two revolutions are to raise Syria and Egypt to their rightful places among the nations of the world and unite the Arab states as one bloc in turbulent international affairs."

Premier Mohammed Nagib, who attended the dinner, thanked Shishakly for his visit and said that "the aims of our two revolutions are the same."

In an interview with Mr. C. S. Sulzberger of the "New York Times" on Thursday, Premier Nagib said that Egypt wished to join in an overall alliance for the defence of the Middle East, but only after her national aspirations had been satisfied. Reference was to agreement with Britain on the Sudan and the evacuation of British troops from the Suez Canal Zone.

He pledged an efficient Egyptian administration and military defence in the Suez area on behalf of any eventual Allied coalition.

Shishakly today conferred with Nagib in what is believed to be a prelude to official political and military talks.

JEWISH STORE SACKED BY TUNISIAN NATIONALISTS

TUNIS, Saturday (AP). — The Jewish population in this troubled North African city expressed alarm and anger today at an attack on Jews and the sacking of a store owned by a Jew.

The incidents occurred yesterday when a group of young Arab nationalists hurled stones on several trolleycars. They then started molesting passers-by in the Jewish sector of the capital of the French Protectorate.

Some Jewish youth said they were going to form "self-defence" groups in anticipation of future attacks.

During yesterday's brief outbreaks a French professor was injured by stones thrown by nationalists and several other Europeans were molested and insulted.

Police dispersed one group of 50 name-calling Tunisians with little difficulty.

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American teachers who had attended a Jewish Agency course in Jerusalem for the last four and a half months, took leave of the Minister of Education, Prof. B. Dinaburg, on Friday, before returning to the U.S.

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The U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Monnett B. Davis, was among those present at the annual meeting of the Ramat Gan Branch of the Israel-America Friendship League at the home of Mr. S. Sacks on Thursday night.

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Dr. Meinhold Nussbaum, advocate, President of the Central European Settlers Association, has returned from his visit to Germany.

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Dr. N. L. Wolff, Director of O.S.E. in Israel, returned by Air France on Thursday night, after attending the O.S.E. conference in Paris. Among the passengers on the outward bound flight on the same night was Mr. Baruch Zuckerman, member of the Jewish Agency Executive in New York.

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In view of the temporary absence from the country in the near future of Dr. F. E. Shinnar, chairman of the Israel Branch of the Anglo-Israel Chamber of Commerce, a new temporary executive committee has been elected, consisting of Mr. A. Berner, Mr. A. S. Cohen and Mr. I. Melamede. Mr. Arieh Shenkar is president. The programme of the Chamber for the coming months was discussed at a recent meeting of the committee.

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The regular monthly broadcast of the Protestant Christian community will be presented at 3.15 p.m. today over Kol Yisrael. Rev. Wm. L. Hull, of the Zion Christian Mission, Jerusalem, will be in charge of the service.

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A symposium on the protection of the flora, fauna and the antiquities of Israel will be held in the Education Centre Hall at 6 Rehov Brioza in Tel Aviv tomorrow, under the auspices of the Scientific Council. Opening addresses are to be delivered by the Minister of Education, Professor Ben Zion Dinaburg and Mr. Peretz Naphtali, Minister of Agriculture.

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The management of the Ramat Aviv Hotel, Tel Aviv, has pleasure in informing its patrons of the new bar which is now open. Music every night.

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MARRIAGE

HEILBRONNER — NISHRI

The marriage took place in Jerusalem on December 9, 1952, of Avraham Havron, of Kibbutz Be'eri, son of Dr. & Mrs. Edgar Heilbronner, Jerusalem, and Rina Havron, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Zvi Nishri, Tel Aviv.

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MEMORIAL MEETING

The unveiling of a tombstone in memory of Corporal Raziel Kiselov, who fell a year ago in the line of duty, will take place at nine o'clock this morning at the Mt. Herzl military cemetery. Transportation will be available at the Av-Razi home at 13 Rehov Rashba, Jerusalem.

At noon today, Army and Scout units are to plant a grove around the memorial stone at Bet Natif. Tomorrow, two public libraries are to be opened. The first will be a Recorded Music Library at Nahal H.Q. and the second an Art Library, for music, painting and drama, at Herzlia.

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Move to Countryside Is Urgent Necessity

POST Economic Correspondent

The government has announced an ambitious programme of new settlement. During the coming year more than a hundred new villages are to be established all over the country.

Various means are being employed to move people out of the towns and to the land: unemployment does its share: propaganda is turned on to impress upon undecided people the duty as well as the advantages of turning farmers. Excursions with guides have been organized for new immigrants to show them what can be achieved by hard work and skill and they are urged to follow the example of the people of Dagania and Nahalal.

Means Are Secondary

This is all to the good. We simply cannot afford to let people stay idle in the towns or allow them to eke out a precarious existence doing unessential jobs while there are not enough hands on the farms. It is moreover of the utmost importance to induce people to settle or work on the land voluntarily instead of relying on direction of labour. As the unsatisfactory distribution of our labour force becomes obvious, more people become impatient with the unnatural concentration of masses in the towns, and the tendency to cut through the maze of economic and social entanglements by administrative directions grows. This is dangerous because it involves a temporary jeopardizing of fundamental liberties and leaves us without a last line of defence should even direction of labour bring no results.

The means employed for reinforcing the ranks of prospective farmers, though important, are nevertheless a secondary consideration. The main thing even now is to make the public understand that without a sound agricultural basis there will be no sound economic body at all. Ideologically the importance of agricultural settlement has been stressed since the beginning of the Zionist movement. Huge sums have been expended on training, on experiments, on helping the development of farming. It was however not generally realised that Jewish settlement under the Mandate formed only small islands in an Arab sea.

The Arab Exodus

As long as several hundreds of thousands of fellahin worked the land, steadily and according to the tradition of centuries, a large part of the available land was tilled and — what is perhaps even more important — a certain equilibrium was maintained between the primitive farming methods of the Arabs and the intensive modern agriculture introduced by the Jews. Thousands of Arab sheep grazed on hilly slopes and on scanty grass and the stubble of the field, providing meat and milk and leaving manure. The grain produced by the Arabs in part supplied our livestock. Growing immigration could to a certain extent fall back on the surplus of the Arab farmer who was quick to take advantage of the widening urban market.

The Arab exodus changed all this at one stroke and upset an equilibrium which has not yet been restored. It is true that we moved new immigrants into abandoned villages and assigned the land which the Arabs had left to the newcomers. But despite instruction and provision with modern equipment the immigrants lacked the necessary knowledge and sometimes even the will to revive the old farms. Figs remained unpicked and untended, vines dried up, terraces which frequently need repairs disintegrated. On the other hand areas which until now had only been tilled extensively were prepared for intensive cultivation and the irrigation system was enlarged.

This is one of the major successes of the last few years but it does not change the basic fact that we have until now been unable to utilize many fallow fields. And we must be clear that one neglected spot where thistles flourish and terraces disintegrate is not only wasteful itself but also affects the neighbouring area. The Israel landscape is a particularly sensitive one: the desert encroaches wherever its progress is not carefully watched, and checked by unceasing work. Erosion must bring almost irreparable damage if all the soil is not steadily tended and guarded against floods. Although the Arabs accomplished all this in a very primitive and unsatisfactory manner they did it somehow and were content with meagre returns if they did not have the capital to do better. In some branches and in certain areas we have not yet been able to catch up with them.

Must Continue to Build

It is sometimes argued that all over the world the farmer yields to the attractions and the easier living conditions of the town. If this is true it does not give us any excuse for allowing the same tendency to arise in Israel. In other countries the basis of a farming community exists and if it shrinks through modern development the community can make up for it by modern labour-saving devices or starve. In this country the farming community has still to be created. The modest beginnings of a few decades laid the foundations on which we must continue to build. If we do not succeed in settling the land densely without leaving empty spaces, the land will reply by growing thorns. The most developed industry will not help without the backbone of a firmly entrenched farming community which not only grows vegetables and provides milk and eggs but does it without the basis of the Arab farming community which supported it until some years ago.

The magnitude of the task has not as yet been clearly realised. It becomes more urgent every day.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 497 M.; HAIFA: 249 M.; TEL AVIV: 43.8, 33.3 & 122 M.

FIRST PROGRAMME

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 7.59, 12.00, 1.30, 6.15, 8.30, 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 5.00 a.m.–2.15 and 6.70 p.m. Turkish: 10.00 a.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.10 Morning Melodies (R). 8.30 General Music. 8.45 Close Down.

10.30 a.m. Music While You Work. 11.00 Music of the People (R). 11.40 Music (R). 12.02 Programme for Hospitals. 12.30 Concert Hall: Overture "Wilhelm Tell" (Rossini); Piano Concerto No.1 (Mendelssohn); Symphony No.4 (Schumann). 1.05 Programme Announcements. 1.40 Break for Music (R). 3.00 Close Down.

3.15 p.m. Protestant Service. 4.00 Variety (R). 5.00 Vocal Recital: Avraham Levy. 5.30 Tea Time Music (R). 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Lighting of Hanukka Candles. 7.07 Programme Announcements. 7.10 Talk by Prof. Benzion Dinaburg. 7.20 Mother' Day Programme. 7.45 Music (R). 8.00 "Wells of Work." 8.24 Bible Reading. 8.45 Concert: Brahms Programme: "Whenever the Sounding Harp is Heard"; Piano Concerto No.1; Variations and a Theme by Haydn (R). 10.00 Hebrew Songs. 10.30 Kodaly's "Te Deum" (R). 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

449, 225, 216, 43.9 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m.; 10.15 p.m. French: 2.00 p.m.

4.00 p.m. Music for Sunday (R). 4.40 Close Corner. 5.00 Programme for Youngsters. 5.20 Second Temple Period Literature. 5.30 Works by Sibelius. 6.00 Talk. 6.15 Close Down.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (31.3 M.): 11.15 p.m. Lighting of Hanukka Candles. Newsreel. 11.30 "Personal Column," by W. Eytan. 11.35 Programme for Jewish Child's Day.

ARMY PROGRAMMES: (44.6, 216, 229 & 225 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.33 Lighting of Hanukka Candles. 6.35 Songs. 7.00 Entrance Ticket. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.45 Sports. 7.55 Hanukka Programme. 8.30 News. 8.45 I.A.F. Band. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS: (24.92, 30.53 M.): 6.30-7.00 p.m. News. News Talk. Seven Chronicle.

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REVIEW OF FRIDAY'S EDITORIALS

PAPERS WELCOME PLANS FOR BROADER COALITION

"Omer" (Histadrut) says that the 'rumours' about an impending Government crisis are spread by those circles who wish to prove that there can be no stable Government without their participation.

The pressure and claims of Hapoel Hamizrahi however, induce those 'responsible for the Government and the State' (meaning Mapai) to look for ways and means of broadening the base of the coalition without being dependent on the 'changing moods' of Hapoel Hamizrahi, the paper concludes.

An end to the interminable Government crisis is urged by "Ha'aretz" (Independent). The paper advocates the forming of a broad coalition including the General Zionists and so emancipating Mapai from dependence upon the support of the Orthodox groups. "Ha'aretz" says that there cannot be a stable government without representative participation of the middle-class, but this cannot be brought about by the small Progressive Party alone and even their candidates for Cabinet posts, Messrs. Rosen and Foerder are sceptical as to the influence they will be able to exert on economic and financial affairs without fuller middle-class representation in the Government.

The paper asserts that the composition of the Cabinet as well as the administration has been weak for some time, especially since the death of Messrs. Kaplan and Pinhas, and the Premier would do well to use the coming Cabinet reshuffle to inject fresh blood into the weary body.

"Hatzofe" (Mizrahi) says that that it is not at all opposed to a broad coalition, including Mapai, General Zionists and the Orthodox groups if it is based on equality and compromise and not on 'secularism.' But the paper expresses the opinion that in the light of past experience a coalition with the General Zionists is still far off. Mapai should therefore treat its Orthodox coalition partners as equals: though they are numerically in a minority, they are, in fact, very important for the Government's existence, because without Orthodox participation the Government would lose much of the confidence it enjoys in the Diaspora, and that furthermore religion is a vital instrument in the fight against the 'Communist danger.' Mapai should yield to the religious demand as far as rabbinical jurisdiction, religious units in the Army and to the safeguarding of the status quo in education is concerned, and to try and find a solution for the National Service problem, the paper says.

"Hatzofe" calls upon Agudat Yisrael and Poale Agudat Yisrael to return to the coalition for the sake of concerted Orthodox action within its framework, while "Hamodia" (Agudat Yisrael) once more admonishes the Mizrahi factions to leave the Government.

Dr. Y. Bader, editor of "Herut" sees in the present talk about crises and coalitions just one more move to divert the public from the serious economic and political situation of the country.

"Haboker" (General Zionist) says that there is no panacea for Israel's economic difficulties but that a "consultation" including all the "forces of brain, experience and last but not least of good will" should be held.

"Davar" (Histadrut) hails the U.N. resolution advocating direct Arab-Israel talks as a victory for Israel's policy which has persistently been in favour of such talks as the only road leading to peace. The resolution also increases the honour of the U.N. and it is to be hoped that it will be carried out, and that Arab leaders will realize their obligations with regard to peace in the Middle East and the world at large, the paper says.

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist) extends editorial greeting to the Congress for Peace in Vienna. The Congress should give an opportunity for strengthening the fraternal relations between 'fighters for peace' of Israel and the neighbouring Arab countries, and for joint action against 'imperialist plans' for a Middle East Defence Organization.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) urges President Ben-Zvie, who is well known for his interest in the problems of Israel's minorities, to use the moral influence of his office against all kinds of discrimination not forgetting the Arab citizens of the State.

THE WEEK AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE

RECOVERY IN NATIONAL LOAN AND TAVEI DOLLAR

TEL AVIV: — Milve Le'umi and Tavei Dollar were the centre of interest again. At the beginning of the week, the downward trend continued: on December 8, Tavei Dollar were quoted 199½%, Milve Leumi small issue 284%, large issue 237%, as against the top quotations on December 4 of 211%, 305% and 257% respectively. However, owing to the low quotations and particularly to the announcement by the Bank Leumi Le-Israel Trust Company Ltd., that it continues in its endeavour to obtain a higher rate for payment of the principal and interest instalments, due December 15, a recovery in the quotations set in: Tavei Dollar closed at 208% and Milve Leumi at 291 and 245% respectively.

Two Quotations

In expectation of a decision in this matter, the Tel Aviv Security Clearing House Board decided on Friday that as from December 15 there will be two quotations each for the large Milve Leumi and for Tavei Dollar, one cum coupon due 15.12, the other ex coupon.

Otherwise, the stock exchange was very quiet, and changes in quotations irrelevant. The downward trend in Palestine Electric came to a stop, and they could recover by about 1/-d.; the London registered shares closed at 31/1½d.

NEW YORK: — The tendency remained quiet, with steel, motors and rail shares leading.

LONDON: — Business was still quiet, and quotations were little changed. German and Japanese Pre-War Loans fluctuated. The latter could recover on the news that negotiations between the German Debt Delegation and the Tripartite Commission had reached a successful conclusion.

COMMODITIES: — The "Financial Times" index was again higher. The rise from 93.07 to 94.17 intensified the upward movement of last week. Rubber was particularly firm. In the U.S. there was an appreciation of food, largely due to increased demand for immediate deliveries.

GOLD: — Price was unchanged.

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At the Cinema

A RUSSIAN programme is featured at the Orion, J'lem. There is a charming cartoon fairy-tale (about 30 minutes), followed by a 1951 documentary production, "Circus" (about 75 minutes). This time Agfa-color is not altogether satisfying. There are many sensations, a feast for the circus-minded: trick riders from Central Asia, equestrians, performing lions, bears, elephants and monkeys, walrus, penguins, daring young men (and girls) on the flying trapeze, exhibiting perfect body control. But one can't help feeling that Alexandrov's black-and-white "Circus" of 1936 was much funnier.

FRANGO

JERUSALEM CINEMAS

1, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.
ARNON: The Magic Carpet.
EDEN: Kim.
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ORION: In the Circus Arena.
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Farmers Excel at Zahal Champs

An outstanding feature of the Zahal Light Athletic Championships, which were held last Monday and Tuesday at the Tel Aviv Stadium, was the success of servicemen from the working settlements, who accounted for two of the three star performers.

Of the 11 new Service records broken, two went to M. Mahti, of Training Command and Misra, and two to Z. Sadek, Nahal and Gan Shmuel. Well known field event expert, Baruch Habas, of Eighth Command, was the third man to dominate the programme clinching three wins. Mahti has established himself as a short distance exponent, and lowered the previous record of 11.3 seconds for the 100 metres, which he set in a preliminary a day earlier, by winning the final in 11.2. He also took the 400 metres race in 52.7 seconds and then gave his side the win in the Olympic Relay by beating the Nahal runner who started off first in the last leg.

Sadek, who has been nicknamed "the Zatopek of Gan Shmuel," pulled off two good wins against veteran long distance expert Hecker, who is serving with Training Command. In the 1,500 metres event the battle was so close that there was only 1/10th of a second between Sadek, who breasted the tape home first in 4:18.8, with Hecker clocking 4:18.7. The two rivals again clashed in the 5,000 metres. Hecker led until 300 metres from the end, but Sadek overtook him with a fine burst, to the accompaniment of cheers from the excited crowd, to win in 16:49.8, with Hecker timing 16:54.3.

Habas, who established himself long ago, in his youth days, as one of Israel's top field experts, was well on top in his sphere. His long jump win of 5.99 metres was 0.22m. ahead of his nearest rival, A. Shekleretz, Training Comm. and Bet Alpha. In shotput he won with 13.69m., with Eighth Command's Asa second with 11.67m. The javelin throwing event also came his way with a 48.07m. throw. M. Rakus, Northern Command, won the high jump with 1.70m., followed by Shekleretz, who cleared 1.61m. The Air Force scored two notable results. Their only win came from M. Rath in the discus throw with 32.69m., while Rudick was second to Mahti in the 100m. sprint, in the fine time of 11.3 seconds. Both relay events went to Training Command, the eventual winner of the team competition. The Navy's best effort was in the 4x100 relay, when they finished second.

The well known Lea Ravid and Tamar Matel, both of Training Command, shared the wins among the servicewomen with Aliza Polonski, of Central Command and Kfar Haim. Ravid won two events, the 60m. in 8.2 seconds and the long jump, 4.86m., and Polonski carried the shot-put event with 8.53m. Training Command also won the relay race in this section. Of the 11 new records five were established on the first day.

In the men's events, Training Command went into a seven point lead on the first day, with 35 against Eighth Command's 28, followed by: Southern Comm., 18; Nahal and Air Force, 10; Navy and Central Command, 4. Nahal, last year's winners, and the Air Force pulled up well on the second day, but could not catch up with Training Command's talented turn out. The final points position, among the men was: Training Comm., 102; Nahal and Eighth Command, 48, each; Air Force, 40; Southern Command, 32; Navy, 18; Northern Command, 17; and Central Command, 8. Among the women, Training Command also finished well ahead with 31 points, with Nahal again second, 20 points, followed by Central Command, 13 and the Air Force, seven.

After the conclusion of the successful two-day competition, units of the Army, Navy and Air Force, marched past the Commanding Officer of Eighth Command, Aluf Misneh Y. Prulov, prior to his presenting the trophies. The Air Force and Nahal units were outstanding in their smartness and precision.

The complete results were: Servicemen: 100m: 1) M. Mahti (Trng. Comm), 11.2 secs (new Service record); 2) Rudick (Air F.), 11.3. 400 m: 1) Mahti, 52.7 (new Army record); 2) K. Magen (Trng. Comm), 53.0. 1500 m: Z. Sadek (Nahal), 4:18.8 (new Service record); 2) Hecker (Trng. Comm), 4:18.7. 5000 m: 1) Z. Sadek, 16:49.8 (new Service record); 2) Hecker, 16:54.3. Long jump: 1) B. Habas (8th Comm), 5.99 m; 2) A. Shekleretz (Trng. Comm), 5.77. Shot-put: 1) Habas, 13.69 m. (new Service record; 2) Asa (8th Comm), 11.67. Javelin throw: 1) Habas, 48.07 m. High jump: 1) M. Rakus (Northern Comm), 1.70 m. (new Service record); 2) A. Shekleretz (Trng), 1.61. Hop, step and jump: 1) Y. Ron (Trng. Comm), 12.57 m. (new Service record). Discus throw: 1) M. Rath (A. F.), 32.69 m. Hand grenade throw: 1) U. Oren (Southern Comm), 62.57 m; 2) S. Fladner (Trng. Comm), and Bet Alpha), 61.52. Olympic Relay: 1) Training Comm., 3:10.9 (new Service record); 2) Nahal, 3:20.3. 4 x 100 m. relay: 1) Training Comm. 47.4 secs. (new Service record); 2) Navy, 49.5. Servicewomen: 60m: Lea Ravid (formerly Horowitz) (Trng. Comm), 8.2 secs (new Service record). Shot-put: 1) A. Polonski (Trng. Comm), 8.55m. (new Service record. Long jump: Ravid, 4.86 m. (briefly reported Thursday).

(A. KALMAN)

Where to go

JERUSALEM

9-6: Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, Romema. Bus 15. Feeding time: 2-3 p.m.
8.30-12.30; 2-6: American Library and Reading Room, U.S. Consulate, Mamilla Road. Entrance Free.
9-1; 2-5: Exhibition: Hanukka Lamps. New Acquisitions. Victor Hugo, Designer: on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of his birth. Contemporary French Works of Art, generously donated by artists and art-lovers of France, and other recent acquisitions and gifts. Exhibit of the Month: Laboratory of an Alchemist; oil painting, 1650 by David Ryckaert, 1612-1661. New acquisition of the National Museum. Bezalel.
10-1; 4-6: Exhibition: UNESCO: Human Rights. Artists House.
9-6: Archaeological Exhibition. Dept. of Antiquities. Also Temporary exhibition — Recent acquisitions 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.
10-5: Sanhedria Tombs.
11.30-12.30 Film Show at Keren Hayesod Head Office.

TEL AVIV

10-6: National Exhibition, over 200 painters from all over the country participating. Museum.
9-1, 4-7: Jacob Pins. Woodcuts and Drawings. Ben Baruch Art Shop, 12 Rehov Ben Yehuda.
8 p.m.: "The Women Have Their Way." Chamber Theatre, Mograbi Hall.

HAIFA

4-7 p.m.: Exhibition of Paintings by Cohn-Bialla. Artists' House, 12 Rehov UNO (opp. Carmelia Court).

RAMAT GAN

8.30 p.m.: Li-La-Lo. Wonderful Revue, "It Will be Good." Rama Hall.

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Today's Post Bag

THE WEATHER

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Mt. Cana'an	96	7	12	9
Tiberias	61	12	20	19
Haifa	83	17	20	18
Nathanya	57	12	21	20
Tel Aviv Port	64	15	20	18
Lydda Airport	65	10	21	20
Jerusalem	62	8	16	11
Beersheba	66	6	20	18
Elath	33	13	12	21

FORECAST: Widespread heavy showers with occasional thunderstorms in the morning gradually improving towards noon.

*A) Humidity at 2 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday. D) Maxim.

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THE HAIFA Town Hall and other public buildings were floodlit in colour last night on the occasion of the week of study of lighting problems which will begin at the Technion tomorrow. The floodlighting is aimed to highlight the architecture of the buildings.

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KURDANI "B" a ma'bara with a population of 800 families, has been connected to the general electricity network. A special ceremony was held for the occasion to coincide with Hanukka.

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LOCAL COUNCILS have been instructed to include in their budgets, as from January 1, 1953, their expenditure on education, which is to be covered by the Arnona levy.

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A LORRY driver was detained at the Haifa Port gate on Friday when a quantity of allegedly stolen apples was found under the driver's seat. A Port Authority clerk, believed involved in the theft, was also detained. Both men were released on bail.

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AN AGENCY for the sale of railway tickets will be opened in Jerusalem today at Bet Maoz, at the corner of Rehov Ben Yehuda and King George Avenue. The tickets will be valid for one week from the date of sale.

150 Newcomers Arrived on Friday

HAIFA, Saturday.—Some 150 immigrants and 140 other passengers arrived here on the s.s. Artzah yesterday. Most of the newcomers came from North Africa. A group of 12 immigrants from Bulgaria was also on board. One immigrant who came from Czechoslovakia, left before the Prague trial. A group of 21 children for Youth Aliya and 23 youths, aged 14 to 20, who will join kibbutzim also arrived.

Mr. Gershon Rimal, of the Israel Legation Staff in Prague, also arrived.

An innovation on this trip was that the control officials of the border control, the Jewish Agency and Customs, travelled to France and returned on the s.s. Artzah, and carried out all the inspections during the journey. This enabled the passengers to disembark immediately on arrival. The control was much more thorough than usual, and the Agency officials discovered four residents who had left the country and were trying to return to the country as new immigrants, getting their fares paid by the Jewish Agency.

They also found two 18-year old youths from Morocco who had spent eight years in prison. Special attention will be paid to them here. Two tourists and one other passenger were caught smuggling a total of $280 dollars and 80 Belgian francs. They were later charged by Port Police and released on bail.

A total of 78 residents left the country for overseas settlement on the s.s. Filippo Grimani and on the s.s. Kedem on Friday. Forty-three are going to Turkey, 18 to Persia, one to Germany, and 16 to other various countries.

2nd Candle Lighted

With the departure of the Sabbath, thousands of candelabra were lit yesterday evening, the second day of Hanukka, to mark the beginning of festive gatherings, many without the traditional potato "latkes".

The huge candelabrum on Mt. Scopus cast a glow over Jerusalem, which like most towns and villages all over Israel, had an electric candelabrum on the Municipality.

On Friday, a torch, lit at Modi'in, at the start of the holiday, was carried to President Ben-Zvie's home in Jerusalem. He accepted the torch and presented it to a Ministry for Religious Affairs' representative who then carried it to Mt. Zion where it was used to light the Mount's candelabrum.

KOL LEAVES FOR U.S.

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Mr. Moshe Kol, head of the Jewish Agency's Youth Aliya Department, flew to the U.S. by Air France yesterday morning to seek support for new projects to expand the immigration and integration of under-privileged teen-agers, mainly from North Africa and the Middle East.

J'lem Synagogue Crowded As President Reads Holiday Portion

By Our Special Correspondent

The Rehavia Synagogue with its seating capacity of some 250 proved much too small for the congregation which overcrowded it at yesterday morning's service, at which the festive atmosphere of Shabat, the first day of Hanukka, the announcement of the New Moon, and the Hanukka was enhanced by the attendance of the new President at his customary place of worship.

His seat had been specially adorned with tapestry, and above the plate inscribed in memory of Menahem Ussishkin who used to pray there, a new shining brass plate announced that it was henceforth the seat of the President of the State.

The new Israel and old Jerusalem were fully represented in the large congregation. Chief Rabbi Herzog, the Minister of the Interior, the President and Justices of the Supreme Court, Members of the Jewish Agency Executive, the District Representative, the Mayor, ex-Mayor and Deputy Mayor of Jerusalem, and high Government officials were among the many distinguished guests who also included numerous representatives of the old Yishuv. The service was conducted by Cantor M. L. Ehrlich.

After the *Hallel* prayer, which gained special significance on this occasion, the Ark was opened by Justices Cheshin and Olshan. As on Simhat Torah, a great part of the weekly portion was repeated several times so that more than the usual number of men could be "called." The congregation rose again, when Mr. Zvi Shimshi, the President's father, who celebrates his 90th birthday today, pronounced the benedictions in a firm and clear voice. After the last *parasha* had been read to Mr. Justice Assaf, the second scroll was opened, and the President himself was called to the Hanukka portion. One could almost feel how the whole congregation held its breath, conscious of the striking coincidence that the passages recited were those which are traditionally called *Parashat Ha'Nesiim*, the "Chapter of the Presidents."

Mr. Ben-Zvie then read, fluently as usual, the magnificent passages from Zechariah, and emotion filled his voice when he came to the words "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts."

The prayer for the State, its Ministers and President followed, and after the Scrolls had been brought back to the Ark, Chief Rabbi Herzog gave the sermon, taking as his text the unity of the nation in its worldly and religious aspects, as symbolized by the Prophet's two olive trees standing to the right and left of the golden seven-armed candelabrum.

After the end of the service, the President and his family went, to spontaneous calls of "Long live the President!" by the crowd waiting in the street, to the kiddush, arranged by Mr. Aharon Chajus, one of the wardens of the synagogue, at his home just opposite the President's own home in Rehov Ibn Gabirol.

The numerous guests, whom Dr. Dov Joseph, Minister of Commerce and Industry, had joined, were treated to traditional refreshments. The benediction was given by old Mr. Shimshi, who made a brief speech in honour of his son. Special applause greeted a spirited speech by 85-year old Rabbi Hillman and the President's reply, as well as the final words of thanks by his wife, Mrs. Rachel Yanait-Ben-Zvie, whose late father was one of the pillars of the Rehavia Synagogue. The celebration ended with the singing of "Hatikvah."

The President and his family continued to maintain open house at their apartment on Rehov Ibn Gabirol. A large Arab delegation paid an official call on the President last night.

Mrs. Weizmann Leaves For Memorial Dinner

LYDDA AIRPORT, Saturday (ITIM).—Mrs. Vera Weizmann, who left here by Air France on her way to New York on Thursday night, was accompanied by Miss Elga Shapiro, formerly private secretary to the late President; Dr. Binyamin Bloch, of the Weizmann Institute of Science; and Mrs. M. Weisgal, wife of Mr. Meyer Weisgal, chairman of the executive committee of the Weizmann Institute in Rehovot. Mrs. Weizmann, who is to attend a memorial dinner to be held at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel on Wednesday in memory of her late husband and arranged by the American Committee for the Weizmann Institute, will stop off in Paris briefly en route to the U.S. to visit her sister, Mrs. J. Blumenfeld. She will also stay a few days in London with her son, Benjamin, on her way back to Israel in a few weeks time.

Mrs. Weizmann's diplomatic passport is inscribed in Hebrew "widow of the late Dr. Chaim Weizmann" and in French "Mrs. Vera Weizmann, widow of the first President of Israel".

At the airport, Mrs. Weizmann was presented by Mr. Moshe Pearlman, Director of Information Services, with the first copy of a memorial volume commemorating the death of the late President. The bound volume, prepared by the Government Information Services in less than a month, contains photographs of the President's lying-in-state, and funeral, speeches by Government leaders and party leaders in the Knesset, and the text of many of the cables received in Israel from all parts of the world.

JAFFAS FOR CHILDREN

LONDON, Saturday (INA). — Oranges picked especially by Israel children for distribution among children in hospitals here in memory of Dr. Weizmann, arrived yesterday.

16 Manslaughter Cases Filed in Tel Aviv

TEL AVIV, Saturday (ITIM). — Sixteen cases of manslaughter were filed with the Tel Aviv District Court yesterday. Apart from Zvi Kobel, 77, who is charged with the attempted murder of his wife by hitting her on the head with a blunt instrument, and of Yona Shaki, 19, who reportedly caused her child's death when she abandoned her in an eucalyptus grove in Rehovot, all charges are against drivers.

Dates for trials will be set on Sunday.

THIEVES BREAK INTO DIPLOMAT'S HOME

TEL AVIV, Saturday (ITIM).—Cigarettes and household goods to the value of IL.400 were stolen from the house of Marquis Raimondo Giustiniani, the Italian Minister to Israel, in Herzlia on Thursday night. The thieves broke in by raising a window shutter.

Demurrage Fees At Haifa Port Are Halved

Demurrage fees paid to foreign ships in Haifa Port for delays in unloading during the period July-October were 99 per cent less than those paid during the corresponding period last year, it was officially announced last night. Whereas $205,000 had been paid during the four months in 1951, only $250 were paid this year.

During the same period, $14,500 were received by the Port authorities in Despatch Fees, for unloading ships at a faster rate than that agreed to.

The drop in the amount of goods unloaded at the Port is partly the cause for this change. To a large extent, however, the improvement was achieved through the work of Dr. Boris Stern, U.N. expert in labour organization and efficiency, who had been sent to Israel at the beginning of the year by the Technical Aid Council of the U.N.

Affula Hapoel Runner Wins Tabor Race

HAIFA, Saturday. — The first annual "around Mt. Tabor race" for the Yitzhak Sadeh cup left from the Kadoori Agricultural School this morning. Despite rain, and unfavourable weather, 57 competitors, from all over the country, participated.

Asselin of Hapoel Affula was the first to complete the 8,400 metre course taking 24:27.4 minutes; Y. Salmeh of Maccabi Haifa came in second in 24:37.6; and Zadok of Hapoel Gan Shmuel came in third.

Result of soccer matches played today were:

Friendly games:

Tel Aviv Maccabi 1, Betar Tel Aviv 0.

Ramat Gan Hapoel 2, Rehovot Maccabi 1.

Sha'arayim Maccabi 3, Mishmar Hashiva Hapoel 0.

Hadera Maccabi 3, Tel Aviv Hakoach 2.

Hadera Hapoel 9, Nathanya Betar 1.

Hadera Maccabi Youth 4, Tel Aviv Hakoach Youth 0.

Ramat Gan Maccabi 3, Bnei Yehuda Tel Aviv 1.

Jerusalem Betar 2, Kfar Saba Hapoel 1.

Affula Hapoel 0, Tel Yosef Hapoel 1.

Petah Tikva Hapoel 2 Jerusalem Hapoel 1.

Tel Aviv Hapoel 8, Herzlia Hapoel 2.

Acre Hapoel 6, Kiryat Haim Hapoel 2.

At the Near Oved National Basketball championship knockout tournament which was held today in Kiryat Haim, Ashdot Ya'acov was first, Kiryat Haim second, and Kiryat Amal third.

Kiryat Haim Hapoel beat Haifa Hapoel in a basketball match by 58 to 46.

Two Water Reservoirs Being Built for Tel Aviv

TEL AVIV, Saturday (ITIM). — Two water reservoirs, each with a capacity of 10,000 square metres, are now being constructed near Hadar Yosef for the use of the southern part of Tel Aviv. Four additional reservoirs, at the cost of IL.100,000 each, are to be built in the vicinity shortly, it was said yesterday when Mayor Israel Rokach toured the area accompanied by reporters.

The Mayor also visited Zahala, the Regular Army housing estate, and inspected the shopping centre there, now under construction, which will serve the 582 houses in the quarter. The tour was arranged by Messrs. J. Fanta and J. Salpeter, whose civil engineering and constructing firm had built Zahala.

RAIN IN HAIFA

HAIFA, Saturday.—Long-awaited rain came to Haifa over the weekend. The rain began to fall for short periods yesterday evening, and became heavy this evening.

Personal Notice

With profound sorrow we announce the death of

SHLOMITH SPOKONE

Devoted wife of Mattityahu.

Loving mother of Ray, Eve (Australia) and Sam.

Rehovot, December 11, 1952.

Only God Knows

TEL AVIV, Saturday (ITIM).—"Only God knows who told the truth and who lied. When we all meet 'up there' those who lied will answer to the Almighty," Judge B. Cohen, of the Tel Aviv District Court, said yesterday when he acquitted Nessi Shas, 34, of assault.

Shas was charged with blinding his father in the left eye when he threw a shoe at him during a family quarrel in November, 1950.

Shas stated that his father was intoxicated and may have been blinded when he fell down. Relatives of the accused gave contradictory evidence.

Shas was acquitted for lack of evidence.

INFANT DROWNS IN LAUNDRY TUB

RAMAT GAN, Saturday.—Nineteen-month old Rahel Cohen was drowned in her home at Ramat Israel, near Givat Rambam yesterday, when she leaned over a laundry tub, and fell in. She had been left alone in the bathroom by her mother, who, when she returned later found the infant lifeless in the cold water. The body was taken to Hadassah Hospital in Tel Aviv.

KILLED IN CRASH

HAIFA, Saturday. — Jamila Upbeki, 35, was fatally injured when the lorry in which she was a passenger collided with another truck on the Acre-Safad road, near Birwa, on Friday night. She died later at Haifa Government Hospital. Both drivers were detained.

OFFICER IN COLLISION

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter).—Lieutenant Colonel D. Shimshoni, of the Israel Air Force, suffered multiple head injuries when his car was in collision with another at Camberley, Hampshire, today.

Body of Labourer Recovered from Pit

REHOVOT, Saturday. — The body of Yehoshua Borenstein, who was asphyxiated when covered by the walls of a cesspit which collapsed on the grounds of the Kaplan Hospital near here on Thursday, was recovered yesterday morning. Dozens of labourers had worked for 20 hours on the task.

The remains of the 66-year old labourer were taken to the Assaf Harofe Hospital in Zrifin and later given the family for burial.

SOLDIER HELD ON THEFT CHARGES

Gavriel Zabari, 18, a soldier, was detained after being reportedly found in the Headmaster's room of the Rehavia Hebrew Secondary School, Jerusalem, with iron cash boxes of the School and Jewish National Fund collection boxes forced open on the table of the room. One of the teachers of the school, Mr. Moshe Amiel, who came to the building at 2.30 p.m., heard a suspicious noise from the room, and on entering, he said he found the soldier there. The police were immediately called.

POLICEMEN INJURED

RAMLE, Saturday (ITIM).—Two policemen were injured when they were summoned by the Nahlat Yehuda Local Council to stop a group of settlers in a nearby village from illegally ploughing Jewish National Fund land yesterday.

About 35 families of the village recently have been ploughing 300 dunams of neighbouring land. When numerous demands to cease working went unheeded, police were summoned and a fight ensued.

PLAN ON TRANSPORT FROM MOROCCO

HAIFA, Saturday.—The Jewish Agency is negotiating to tranship Moroccan immigrants directly to an Israel vessel in Marseilles as soon as they arrive from Morocco. This will obviate their staying in camps in France, saving considerable sums of currency. The Government has agreed in principle.

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Sale of tickets as from today at the I.P.O. Office, 56 Allenby Rd., (11-2, 4-6).

Subscription Concert
No. 3
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Conductor:
IGOR MARKEVITCH
Soloist:
IDA HAENDEL (Violin)
Symphony No. 38 "Prague"—*Mozart;* "El Amor Brujo" — *De Falla;* Violin Concerto — *Brahms;* Overture "Il Vespri Siciliani" — *Verdi.*

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Children Get Holiday Toys

Distribution of toys by *The Post*-Va'ad Home Aid Society Drive to more than 135 schools and kindergartens throughout the country was continued on Friday.

The IL.119.500 brought in on Friday jumped the total cash contributions to IL.3,170.920.

Among the immigrant settlements receiving toys and sweets on Friday in time for Hanukka celebrations were Sho'eva, Eshtaol, Bet Shemesh and Tal Shahar in the Jerusalem area. *The Post* men and women who brought the sacks of toys were quickly surrounded by eager and excited children as the holiday presents were emptied onto the floor of kindergartens, schools and clubhouses. The children were happy and their teachers grateful. But the unanimous response was: this is wonderful, but... hardly enough for our needs.

Immigrant children all over Israel still need our help. Therefore, The POST and the Va'ad Society want to raise IL.1,500 more this Hanukka week to bring the total cash to IL.4,500. This money together with the 1,000 pounds of toys still aboard the s.s. Kedmah will help fill the pressing need for equipment in schools and kindergartens. The children are waiting. Help them!

Court to Rule On Legality of Microphone

TEL AVIV, Saturday.—Whether evidence gained by police using a secret microphone in a prison cell is legal, was contested yesterday by the defence and prosecution in the case of the murder of Haim Schmertz in Bat Yam last October 3. Magistrate M. Shamir who is hearing the preliminary examination of A. Goldenberg, Y. Fin and A. Abramovitz, charged with the murder, will deliver her decision on December 24.

The controversy had arisen when Police Officer Z. Steinberg told the Court that he had installed a microphone in the cell where the three accused were held and recorded their conversations. At this point the witness was interrupted by Mr. A. Abanowski, the accused's counsel, who claimed that the police action was illegal. District Attorney U. Gurney claimed that a British court had once upheld evidence heard by a policeman in prison through a hole in the prison wall and that was the same as listening through a microphone.

NEWFOUNDLAND. — The Newfoundland cabinet yesterday approved plans for a group of British financiers, headed by the Rothschild Banking House, to develop the resources of northern Newfoundland and the Labrador dependency.

Graetz Ship's Crew Reticent on Details

ST. JOHN New Brunswick, Saturday (UP). — The crew of the Israel freighter, Abraham Graetz, whose captain, Adan Graetz, was removed from the boat off Halifax on Thursday, refused to say today what had happened on board.

The vessel docked here but officers and crew would say nothing about reports that the 24-year-old skipper had dismissed the rightful captain at a Turkish port and later threatened to scuttle the vessel if his father was not made Minister of Communications in the Israel cabinet.

Reporters were prevented from boarding the ship and the crew were not allowed ashore.

Adan Graetz said in Montreal today that he planned to fly here to take command of his ship again. He denied the "rumours and irresponsible communications" that said he had gone beserk and terrorised the crew.

Man Killed in New York Atom-Bomb Raid Drill

NEW YORK, Saturday (AP).—America's largest metropolis became a ghost city for 15 minutes today in the biggest air raid drill since World War II as 579 sirens wailed their warning.

Civil Defence workers waved pedestrians into buildings and shelters and policemen halted traffic and ordered the drivers to leave their cars and seek shelter. Only subways kept moving underground as New York tried to act as if a bomb actually had been dropped.

There was one unscheduled incident. In the Bronx county an unidentified man lunged at a policeman with a butcher knife when ordered to take shelter. The policeman pumped four bullets into the man, killing him.

DUTCH QUEEN TO UNVEIL GHETTO MEMORIAL

AMSTERDAM, Saturday (INA). — Queen Juliana has announced that she will dedicate next Saturday a monument erected in the former Amsterdam ghetto to commemorate the workers' strike against the German persecution of the Jews in 1941.

FLOODLIGHTS SET UP NEAR CZECH LEGATION

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Two floodlights were installed last week by the police to illuminate the Czechoslovak Legation in Rehov Zeitlin here. The action follows the throwing of the scare bomb near the Legation by an unidentified person a week ago.

400 ARRESTED IN KASHMIR DISORDERS

NEW DELHI, Saturday (Reuter). — More than 400 people have been arrested in Kashmir during stormy demonstrations urging absorption of the mountain state by India, Prime Minister Nehru told Parliament today.

He said demonstrators at Jammu had attacked the Kashmir State Treasury building with spears and axes, had raided a government school, stoned police and torn down decorative arches raised to honour the State's new president Karan Singh.

Nehru denounced the disorders as "anti-social and subversive," saying they were directed as much against India as against Kashmir State. He blamed them on the Hindu right-wing Praja Parishad Party.

Prime Minister Nehru was yesterday re-elected unopposed to the Presidency of the Indian Congress Party despite his expressed reluctance to go on bearing the double burden of government and party leadership. He said he had agreed to accept the Congress office only under pressure from his colleagues.

I hereby give notice that I have applied to the Haifa Municipality for renewal of my Retailer's "OFF" licence for the year 1953 for the sale of intoxicating liquors at my shop at 2 Rehov Elisha Hanavi, Haifa.
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Middle East Forestry Talks Open in Amman

AMMAN, Saturday (Reuter).—A conference called by the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization to establish a forestry authority in the Middle East opened here today attended by representatives from Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Persia, Afghanistan and Iraq.

France, the U.S., Britain and the U.N. Relief and Works Agency for Palestine refugees are represented.

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Cables in Brief

ECUADOR.—An attempted revolt in Ecuador by Carlos Guevara Moreno, Mayor of Guayaquil, has been crushed, New York radio reports. Moreno is under arrest.

COUGH.—A mysterious chest ailment, believed to have been caused by the week's dense fog, is filling London's hospitals with hundreds of cases daily.

CHILDREN.—Red Cross efforts to repatriate Greek children living in East Europe are to be abandoned, the Executive Committee of the League of Red Cross societies decided in Geneva on Friday.

CRASHES.—A French Navy amphibious plane crashed into a foggy mountainside at Privas, Central France, on Friday, killing all the crew. A second French military plane crashed yesterday in fog near Serres in the Alps Department. One of its two occupants was killed.

REVULSION.—Benjamin Frankel, British composer, has resigned from the Communist Party because of his "revulsion" at the Prague trial and the "indecent haste" of the executions, he announced yesterday.

SACHS.—The appeal of Emil Solomon Sachs, former secretary of the South African Garment Workers' Union, against sentence of six months imprisonment under the Supression of Communism Act, was rejected yesterday, but sentence was suspended for three years.

SAILORS.—Two British naval ratings are in a Chinese prison awaiting trial after their boat drifted into Chinese waters west of Hong Kong.

GUERRILLAS.—Chinese Nationalist guerrillas boarded the 700-ton British-registered freighter Rosita off the China coast on December 1, after her mate had been killed by gunfire from Chinese junks, the ship's chief engineer told an inquest in Hong Kong yesterday.

SUIT.—The American government is to take legal steps to recover about $15m. for the U.S. Shipping Lines Company, contractors for the 53,330 tons luxury liner United States, Blue Riband winner. The contract price was $78m., of which the company was to pay $28m.

PROTEST.—Yugoslavia has handed a note to Bulgaria protesting against the persecution of Yugoslavs in Bulgaria.

HELICOPTERS.—Jet-engined helicopters could be used to launch and land large planes in confined places, much as tugs guide liners in and out of port, Dr. J. A. Bennet told a congress of aircraft engineers in Philadelphia yesterday. He said it would make large aircraft carriers obsolete.

CREDENCE.—Abdulahi Aksin, Turkish Ambassador to Poland, presented his credentials to Alexander Zawadzki, Chairman of the Polish State Council, on Friday. He was the first diplomat to present credentials to the new Head of State.

HEALTH.—Government representatives from 15 European countries yesterday decided to recommend the setting up of a working party of experts to consider French proposals for a European Health Pool. The delegates ended their two-day inaugural conference in Paris yesterday.

HEROIN.—A Lebanese student of Tulane University, New Orleans, was taken into custody at Idlewild Airport New York, on Thursday, after customs officials claimed to have discovered in his suitcase about five pounds of pure heroin, worth more than $1m. on the American black market. The man, Youssef Solh, claims to be a cousin of the Lebanese U.N. delegate, Abdullah Rahman Solh.

OPERATION. — King Hussein of Jordan underwent an operation for sinus trouble yesterday in a London clinic. An announcement from the Jordan Embassy said the operation was satisfactory and the King's condition is "very good."

QUEEN. — The Commonwealth Prime Ministers meeting in London have agreed that each member-nation should use its own form of title for Queen Elizabeth II. All forms will include a description of the monarch as "Queen of her other realms and territories and head of the Commonwealth."

French Communists Accused of 'Slackness'

PARIS, Saturday (Reuter).—The French Communist Party today accused section leaders of slackness in renewing membership cards and offered the works of French Communist leader, M. Maurice Thorez as a reward for a full record of renewals.

The first volume of Marshal Stalin's works was offered if new members were enrolled.

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TOWARD MID-EAST PEACE

ISRAEL opinion has welcomed the resolution adopted by the Ad Hoc Political Committee of the U.N. General Assembly urging Israel and the Arab States to enter into direct negotiations for the settlement of their outstanding differences. Though Israel, if the drafting had been left to her, might not have put forward the precise text that has now been passed by so large a majority, the general terms of the resolution are in keeping with what has been Israel's declared policy ever since the conclusion of the Armistice Agreements.

It is an encouraging feature of the resolution that it liberates itself, and the parties, from previous resolutions on the same subject, most of which had ceased to have any relevance to the situation now existing in the Middle East.

The history of the "Palestine question," particularly in recent years, has been one of consistent "missing of the bus" by the Arabs. How glad they would have been in 1948 to accept a settlement on the terms which they rejected when they were proposed by the Anglo-American Commission in 1946; and how ready they profess to be today to agree to the partition scheme which, when the General Assembly recommended it in 1947 they took up arms to defeat! If the plenary session of the General Assembly this week adopts the resolution which, at the suggestion of Norway, Holland, Uruguay, and the five other sponsoring powers, calls for direct negotiations, the Arabs may once again be expected to reject it — and to live to regret their action, as today they regret their mistakes of the past.

It is, as a matter of fact, not easy to see why the Arab delegations at U.N. have so bitterly opposed this resolution. It is in no way directed against them. Not one of the sponsoring powers nourishes feelings of hostility towards the Arab world. The Arab states would enter into these direct negotiations on exactly the same terms as Israel; the resolution, indeed, is specific on this subject. For it states that the parties would embark on negotiations "without prejudice to their respective rights and claims". One can only suppose that the Arabs do not wish to be shown up for what they are: the party which has hitherto obstinately refused, despite all the obligation which membership of the U.N. imposes, to contemplate, place or to take any effective step towards its attainment.

It is even more difficult to understand the hesitations of other countries. There has, in particular, been widespread disappointment in Israel at the equivocal position adopted by Turkey whose delegation abstained when the resolution was put to the vote on Thursday. As the leading power in the Middle East, with a vital interest in the peace of the region, Turkey would surely have nothing to lose by a negotiated settlement between Israel and the Arab States.

It might have been expected, too, that Turkey, as one of the three members of the Palestine Conciliation Commission, would have felt able to endorse the call for direct negotiations which this Commission was the first organ of the U.N. to make. It is to be hoped that when the vote is taken in plenary session, Turkey will join her fellow-members of the P.C.C. and her partners in the defence of the Middle East and lend her support to the resolution.

The impressive speech which Mr. Eban made in the Ad Hoc Committee on December 1 indicates that the Israel Government has a constructive peace plan in mind. The plan envisages benefits for the entire Middle East and does not confine itself the narrower interests of Israel alone. It would be practicable only within the framework of a settlement between Israel and her Arab neighbours, but it would ensure that such a settlement would contribute to the stability and welfare of the region as a whole.

It may yet be hoped that Arab statesmanship may rise to the occasion and, letting bygones be bygones, turn its mind towards securing a happier future for all.

THE WEEK IN THE KNESSET

Democracy at Work

By GERDA LUFT

FOR the third time the Speaker began to read the roll of the members and one by one M.K.s crossed the floor in order to drop their voting-slip into the ballot box. The procedure had already been completed twice and the predictions of the press that the elections for the Presidency would end in a deadlock appeared for the moment well founded. "They are playing a funny game" remarked one of the seasoned observers of the Knesset, "and it is absolutely useless." He was quite wrong.

"The funny game" was democracy in action and at the end of the third ballot we realized that it yielded results. The deadlock was solved, a comfortable majority for Ben-Zvie was reached and the election of the second President of Israel completed.

The heroes of the day were, for once, members of Mapam. Their sensible decision to switch their votes in the third ballot to Ben-Zvie saved the Knesset from the dreaded deadlock and gave Mapai's candidate the requested majority. The move doubtlessly sprang from the wish to break down the screen of isolation which is threatening to divide Mapam from the other parties, and clearly showed that political reason and readiness to compromise will solve a deadlock and open the way to cooperation.

Trouble For Nothing

No wonder that some parties which had stubbornly stuck to their course looked somewhat put out after the final vote. The Progressives, who had refused to vote for Mapai's candidate because they had not been consulted beforehand and wanted to demonstrate their opposition to the party nominations, were in a position as awkward as the General Zionists who had flown back two of their absent members at the last moment, only to ask themselves afterwards why they had taken so much trouble. Many people upbraided the press which had taken a deadlock so much for granted that many Knesset members had not bothered to find out whether the predictions were really well founded. Could this be an indication of the influence of the press?

When all the hue and cry was over even opposition members agreed that the choice was satisfactory. There remains, however, the undeniable fact that a law which recalls some of the rulings laid down for the election of a pope might under less favourable circumstances than those of December 8 involve the state and the legislature in serious difficulties and engender unwarranted complications. There is much to be said for not changing existing laws without urgent necessity, but laws which experience has proved obsolete must be amended. The danger of a deadlock during the Presidential elections should be eliminated at all costs.

Fever-Pitch

The excitement which rose to fever-pitch during the balloting on Monday presented a sharp contrast to the indifference which pervaded the House on Tuesday when it returned to the routine business of the third reading of the bill on cooperative buildings, an important law which will affect all those who have purchased flats in cooperative buildings during the last years. While members' benches were almost empty except when votes were taken the lobbies hummed with the familiar buzzing which for the initiated means "changes in the Government." The Progressives, who had decided to join the Government coalition a few days ago, looked doubtful when asked what would happen next. They had not heard from Mapai since their decision and the defection of Poalei Agudat Yisrael from the coalition once more upset the precarious balance in the Cabinet.

Casual visitors to the House who joined in the discussions about the possibility of reopening negotiations with the General Zionists and thus creating at long last a broad basis for Government cooperation were somewhat put out by the complications of an issue which must appear simple to them. To the man in the street the outcome is obvious: a worsening of the economic position with all its political and moral consequences. He would understand a rallying of forces at this moment but will he understand the complicated calculations, the jockeying for position, the whole intricate play of politics which absorbs so much time and energy of those "in the know"?

Progress Slow

During Hanukka the Knesset has its customary week's recess. Looking back to when the House started its half-yearly session we come to the conclusion that progress of ordinary work has been pretty slow. There were, it must be admitted, some unavoidable handicaps to quick procedure. The death of the first President interrupted the Knesset's work for a week, the Prague trial claimed the attention of the House for two whole days and there were other urgent matters to be dealt with. Moreover the Knesset entered upon the winter-session with a heavy backlog carried over from the summer. The time for the budget proposals to be discussed is drawing near. We simply cannot afford to increase the backlog of bills waiting for first and third readings. The old problem how to streamline parliamentary work looms larger and larger as the session progresses. Much of the blame for the unsatisfactory state of affairs can be laid at the door of the Government which does not provide the House with a clearly defined programme: but parliament too must take its share of the responsibility and try to speed up procedure.

NATURE NOTES

Winter Visitors

The little egrets are back at last. They are silvery white birds with black feet and bills, graceful and nimble on their long legs and at the same time lovely flyers. We missed them in the village when they did not turn up after the first early rains, for they are friendly birds, so tame that they feed in the very village street where puddles form, and they make a pretty picture.

In the Tel Aviv Aviaries (Biological Station) there was one who this summer fell in love with a buff-backed heron — a very close relative, but with light bill and legs, and a sand-coloured cloud on his back. They behave much the same as their more elegant cousins, except that they are most often seen in company of cattle whose parasites they pick off with evident relish. The union of these two was not blessed, however.

Like a Swallow

These birds are only two of many species of waders that visit Israel in winter,: the grotesque avocet with its bill curving upward, and its neatly painted black and white, like an old-fashioned woodcut — the different plovers including the lapwings and the charming black-and-white spurred plover, even prettier than the avocet — the red-shank — the spoonbill, like a little egret except for his grotesque bill — and the different stints, among them the charming little stint, like a swallow on stilt-like legs, which can be watched on the shore right in Tel Aviv.

P.A.

THE LESSON OF FINLAND

Russia's Independent Neighbour

By EDWARD CRANKSHAW
(who has just returned from a visit to Finland)

LONDON. — THE closer you get to the Iron Curtain, the calmer the atmosphere becomes. Thus in New York, which is a long way from Russia, and where there are very *few* Communists, you find fear of Moscow at its most strident and obsessive, whereas in Berlin or Vienna, completely surrounded by Russians and at their mercy, you can forget this fear altogether. The same is true of Finland, but with a difference.

The calm in Vienna and Berlin is passive and fatalistic. There is nothing anyone can do about the Russians. But Finland's calm is something other. The country is entirely at the mercy of the Soviet army. Helsinki is very close to Leningrad. A great part of the province of Karelia in the south-east and the valuable nickel mines of the north-east, together with Finland's only outlet to the Arctic Ocean, have been swallowed up by the Soviet Union. A dozen miles to the south-west of Helsinki in the Porkkala region there is a Russian enclave on a 50 years' lease and trains on the main line to the Baltic port of Turku have their windows shuttered as they cross this territory. It is, one might have thought, a hopeless situation. But the Finns do not regard it as hopeless at all.

Feeling of Fatalism

There is, of course, the inevitable feeling of fatalism. Under the terms of the peace-treaty Finland has no air force and next to no army, so the Finns could not hope to repeat their epic resistance of the "Winter War" (against Russia in 1939-40). But fatalism is by no means the only motif here. In the last resort, of course, the fate of Finland depends no less than the fate of Berlin and Vienna on decisions made in Moscow, Washington and London, but the Finns do not accept this as the reason for doing nothing. Circumspect they are, and must be, deeply anxious about any Western move which may make Moscow nervous about Sweden and the Baltic, about any Russian move which may produce a sharp reaction by the Atlantic Powers. But they believe in the possibility of an indefinite stabilization of the "cold war" in North West Europe; and they believe that their own conduct may assist this stabilization. This is very different from the passive fatalism of Central Europe. It is an active fatalism which allows the Finns, within certain clearly circumscribed limits, to be masters of their own fate and cultivate the manly virtues.

The Finns are not particularly curious about Russia. Why should they be? They have known her too well for too long. For centuries, as part of Sweden, they fought the Russians as the traditional enemy. Then, with Sweden's final decline, Finland was detached and became a grand-duchy under the Imperial Russian crown. There were vicissitudes: but by and large the Russians treated Finland better by far than they treated any other part of their empire, and the Finns, hedgehog-like, retained their individuality. But when war and revolution came they were perfectly ready to seize their independence and proclaim a national identity as clearly differentiated as any in the world, symbolised by a language which has nothing in common at all either with the Slavonic, Latin or Teutonic tongues and expressed in a highly-developed democratic constitution probably unattainable and certainly unworkable, by any other nation of the Russian empire. They found architects to express their highly civilised consciousness and to turn the hideousness of Helsinki, granite built on granite outcrops among the wooded islands of the Gulf of Finland, into a city that any nation might be proud of.

Communists Active

Any nation also might be proud of the Finnish Parliament. It has had no easy task. Even today there are 43 Communists in a total of 200 deputies. These men and women are real and active Communists, looking to Moscow; but they draw their support less from real Communists — although there are a proportion of these — than from traditional radicals in the poor of the northern countryside, who feel themselves sacrificed to the comfort of the rich cities and the fat countryside of the south. These Communist voters surprised the Russians by fighting them with such determination in 1939 and again in 1941: they do not want to be ruled by Stalin; but they form a domestic problem which is serious enough and can only be dispelled by development of the vast empty northern regions. Such development must depend in the end on capital.

In a country which has very little capital and which stood for very obvious reasons outside the Marshall Plan, that is perhaps the most burning internal problem of the moment.

The most burning external problem is, as usual, one of exports and imports. The important new industries, above all shipbuilding and machine building, which Finland built up overnight to satisfy the reparations programme, have fulfilled their original purpose. Two hundred and twenty six and a half million dollars in reparation have been paid by a gigantic effort during the past eight years and the account is now clear. The chief hope of the Finns now is to go on exporting to the Soviet Union—but for cash and goods instead of for nothing. So long as all goes well the Finnish-Soviet trade agreement will take care of this necessity.

But the Finns are very well aware that although they must to a large extent depend on Soviet markets (including China and the East European satellites), they need also the developed Western markets, above all with Britain which already accounts for a large proportion of Finland's supreme export—the turning of her limitless forest lands into timber, pulp and paper.

Dollar Gap

And here, also as usual, the dollar gap makes itself felt—in the case of Finland specially, with her tremendous sterling export of timber and wood products and her need to import food, which the sterling area cannot supply. So that, in a nutshell, Finland is at the mercy, on the one side, of arbitrary Russian decisions as to prices and quantities (at the moment Moscow is paying good prices for large quantities) and, on the other, of the blind economic stresses and fluctuations of the Western world.

It is not a happy situation: but the Finns are facing it well. They face it with imagination and great practical efficiency, and a total absence of self-pity. Other parts of the world less perilously situated, have a good deal to learn from this spirit as well as something to gain from it. The continued independence of Finland—her real independence, not her attachment to this or that bloc—is one of the important facts of the contemporary world. It is in the interest of the whole world to see that it is sustained, if only as a standing proof that the cold war has not yet become absolute.

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Men and Things

A SCANDINAVIAN passenger plane has just crossed from America to Copenhagen by the Arctic route. How one would have relished the trip! To place oneself in unusual spots is a joy at all ages. It lures children up trees which sometimes prove impossible to descend without the help of adults, ladders, and ropes. For youth there are the mountains and deserts.

It is the unusualness of a spot which makes it irresistible, and this probably accounts for the popularity of the theatre box which is by no means the best place for watching the play.

Our air passengers, speeding over the polar regions, must have reflected with greatest pleasure upon their position. So far as improbability went, they were beyond all possible challenge. In every direction around their warmed and lit compartment was a deathly, inescapable, temperature. The world's surface just beneath stood practically motionless, although far away at the equator it was spinning through a thousand miles each hour. Lifted over the top of the world by the accumulated genius of scientific centuries, in a flimsy shell which counted off distance like a clock, their experience was a leisured survival as annihilation approached but could not envelop the lounge seats.

A few cigarettes and drinks, half a page to fill in one's diary, and the home airfield was tilting upwards; wheels rumbled and a door opened upon the worlds of Adam and Ferdnand.

W.L.R.

Readers' Letters

FROM TOWN TO KFAR

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — The recent announcement of the "Town to the Land" project by Mr. Levi Eshkol, Head of the Jewish Agency's Absorption Department, will bring to all those involved happiness and joy. Much of the discontent voiced by new immigrants is born of their inability to settle in the towns and their failure to accept the real reasons for this inability.

Failures and shortcomings are attributed to the Government, and achievements — well asks the town resident — where are they?

The answer lies in the Kfar, where phenomenal strides have been made in the country's development — particularly "down South." Here one doesn't hear the grumbling, but only a confidence in the future. How refreshing it is to hear as chief topics of conversation, "Tomorrow," and "that wasn't there yesterday."

Each day hundreds of feet of concrete pipe are being laid to water the Negev. Each unit of pipe is only 16 feet long, weighs more than 10 tons and contains some 8 tons of concrete and a ton of steel. Hundreds of miles of the concrete giants are required, and where are they coming from? New immigrants is the answer, for in the south some 600 new immigrants are employed at the Yuval-Gad pipe factory where the pipes are manufactured. The hundreds of thousands of tons of cement required for this work are called "favouritism to Histadrut controlled monopolies." All the new immigrants working on this project are housed or waiting to be housed, in Government Housing Schemes. This to the town dweller is "discrimination in the allocation of building material against the private builder."

Whether on the land, or in industry, the new immigrant is fast becoming an integral part of the country's development and is consequently a contented and productive citizen. The Yuval-Gad Pipe Factory and the new settlements in the immediate area can be multiplied throughout the country where similar projects are under way providing productive work for thousands of newcomers.

The "Town to the Land" project will considerably swell the numbers of contented and productive citizens and pave the way to a more equal distribution of the country's population.

Yours, etc.,
S. ROBERT ABRAHAMI
Jerusalem, December 4.

CONSTITUTION EXPERT

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—After the first World War, when the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy and the Hohenzollern Empire collapsed, two outstanding jurists laid the foundations for the succeeding democracies. Hugo Preuss drafted the constitution of the Weimar Republic, and Hans Kelsen, then aged 39, was responsible for the Austrian constitution of 1920.

An outstanding authority on constitutional law (several South American Republics owe him their constitutions) and the creator of the "Austrian School of Law," Professor Hans Kelsen taught at the universities of Prague, Vienna, Cologne and Harvard and is at present professor at Berkley (California).

In a letter I recently received from Geneva, where Kelsen is lecturing as a visiting professor, he hinted at the possibility of a trip to Israel in the near future. Our Government might take this opportunity to consult him on some of our difficult constitutional problems. I may add that Kelsen's "Law of the United Nations" has become a standard work for both theory and practice.

Yours etc,
Dr. S. SCHOENBLUM
Haifa, November 12

HAIFA ART NOTES

Oils and Watercolours

A. DONAT's watercolours, on exhibition at Goldman & Neufeld's, Hadar Hacarmel, consist mainly of landscape and flower subjects. The soft colours are harmonious, the themes directly expressed, often too directly because some of the work suffers from the amateur's disability of transferring facts to paper without preliminary observation. Where Mr. Donat first ponders his composition, his paintings are efficient, as for example in "Tree" (No. 1), the line of red soil repeated in the trees of "Sharon Landscape" (No. 3) or the yellow rocks separated by blue sea in "Sand Rocks" (No. 6). A touch of originality can be found in the spread of yellow flowers of "Flowers" (No. 4) out of a low vase over the table.

Long acquaintance with the work of Mr. Colm-Bialla who is displaying his oils at the Artists' Pavilion, Carmelia Court, allows one to sum him up as an honest artist who paints what he sees and feels. He is the true "plain air" artist, revelling in light. As a comparison of his Israel pictures with "Swiss Landscape" (No. 22) and "Forest in Europe" (No. 25) testify, he remains under the influence of his original surroundings. His brush, however, is too facile. His eye automatically catches the suitable subject, and you will always find a speaking likeness, whether in landscapes or portraits. Thus the less polished "Fishponds at Kinneret" (No.5) draws the attention simply because of the absence of that dexterity. One or two other paintings reveal a deeper Colm-Bialla — the lengthening shadows of "Carmel Views" (Nos. 10 and 15) and the strong composition of "Russian Church" with its slightly emphasized angle

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MUSICAL DIARY

ELLABELLE Davis's vocal recital at the Edison on Wednesday was a very fine performance. Two groups of three arias by Scarlatti and Handel were delivered with a true sense of style and we felt her perfect control of all registers and breathing. Schubert's "Wanderer's Nachtlied" and "Fruehlingsglaube" were moving, but Ellabelle's charm was most strongly felt in the rendering of Bizet's "Adieux de l'Hôtesse Arabe" and Sauguet's "Berceuse créole."

Small wonder that the Negro Spirituals received an ideal interpretation and a clear piano and perdendosi. "Summertime" from Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess" cast a unique spell. Frank Pelleg's accompaniment at the piano was sensitive.

FRANGO.

Abroad

According to press reviews in the Pittsburgh papers Sigi Weissenberg, who is due back in Israel in the early spring, achieved a remarkable success under the baton of William Steinberg with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra last month. According to music critic Henry Wood of the "Pittsburgh Press," Weissenberg's playing of the Chopin E minor Concerto "will give music circles something to talk about for months to come. . . In years of concert going we have yet to be so impressed with any single performance as we were with that of Sigi Weissenberg." The music critic of the "Post Gazette," Donald Steinfirst, wrote that Weissenberg gave a performance of the work that was from start to finish perfectly proportioned. . . "rarely have I heard" he writes "a concerto played with such delicacy" and elegance or, for that matter, with such extreme musicality."

David Bar Ilian, the Israel pianist now in America, is enjoying a very successful tour. In the local review of a concert in Wilmington, Ohio, he was highly commended for his 'rare gift of interpretation and phrasing.'

Conductor Dead

The Dutch-Jewish conductor Albert van Aalte died on November 23, at the age of 52, after a prolonged illness. He had been conductor of the Hilversum Radio Philharmonic Orchestra from its inception, some 25 years ago; under his baton, it reached a very high level, both for symphonic and opera music. He was also a frequent guest director abroad, particularly in Paris, as well as in England, Belgium, Italy, Germany (before 1933), etc.

When dismissed in May 1940, after the German occupation of Holland, he became the conductor of the 'Jewish Orchestra' which, at the orders of the Germans, could play only works by Jewish composers to Jewish audiences. It was disbanded in 1943 when the deportations started. After the liberation in 1945, he was reinstated and entrusted with the task of selecting the members for a new Radio Orchestra. At one of the very last concerts before his death he introduced Ernest Bloch's Symphonic Suite in the Netherlands.

Sibelius

The American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers have sent Sibelius a cheque for $5,000 as a material "indication of admiration."

Otto H. Harbach, president of the society, said that the money was an advance payment of fees due to Sibelius in the U.S. The rest of the money owing to the composer had not yet been released by the office of alien property in Washington, but as soon as this matter was adjusted, the society would collect the money as agents for the composer.

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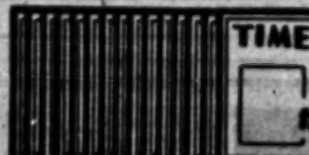

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